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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.172, Vertical Networks Inc., assignee of U.S. Patent No. 5,687,174, consents to the filing of Reissue Application No. 09/443,250 for the Reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,687,174. Vertical Networks Inc. further assents to the filing of the Reissue Oaths by the inventors thereof.

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